

SHIAWASSEE COUNTY GUIDE

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Shiawassee County was organized in 1837. The county coordinates are Range 1 East through 4 East (1E-4E) and Township 5 North through 8 North (5N-8N). Adjacent counties include Saginaw (north), Genesee (east), Livingston (southeast), Ingham (southwest), Clinton (west), and Gratiot (northwest).

Original records from Shiawassee County are available at the Archives of Michigan. The list below is organized by record type; each record type lists specific records, the years of coverage and the record group (RG) number assigned to that collection. More detailed lists of these collections can be found in finding aids at the archives.

CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Shiawassee County files, from 1867 to 1976 – RG 83-53**

CENSUS RECORDS

- **Special census (Owosso), from 1976 – RG 2003-40**

COURT RECORDS

- **Justice Court complaints (Owosso), from 1911 and from 1915 – RG 67-104**
- **Oath and bond book, jurors (Perry Township), from 1881 to 1939 – RG 75-17**

LAND RECORDS

- **Chattel mortgages (Owosso), from 1883 to 1881 – RG 67-104**
- **Rural Property Inventory, from 1936 to 1942 – RG 72-76**

MILITARY RECORDS

- **Certificates of honorary discharge**, from **1865** and from **1919** – RG 63-31
- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) Post #205 (Quackenbush) records**, from **1874 to 1928** – MS 77-113
- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records**, from **1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
 - *Shiawassee County GAR posts: Post 11 (Bancroft), Post 117 (Byron), Post 128 (Henderson), Post 160 (Corunna), Post 172 (New Lathrop), Post 192 (Laingsburg), Post 205 (Owosso), Post 310 (Perry), Post 438 (New Lathrop), Post 440 (Morrice)*
- **Woman's Relief Corps, Quackenbush, Post #26 (Owosso)**, from **1884 to 1961** – MS 77-115

See also Guide No. 4: War Records, Guide No. 7: Post-War Records, Guide No. 4 c: Spanish American War, and Guide No. 4 d: World War I

POOR HOME / RELIEF RECORDS

- **Classification cost ledger**, from **1939 to 1947** – RG 62-43
- **Ledger of temporary relief**, from **1878 to 1932** – RG 62-43
- **Record of legal residence within county**, from **1933 to 1939** – RG 62-43

PRISON RECORDS

See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records

PROBATE RECORDS

- **Case files**, from **1838 to 1911** – RG 2019-97
 - From **1912 to 1970** – RG 2021-15
- **Index cards**, from **1957 to 1991** – RG 2021-15
- **Index to probate calendars**, from **1860 to 1957** – RG 2021-15
- **Probate calendars**, from **1838 to 1957** – RG 2021-15
- **Probate journal**, from **1865 to 1869** – RG 2021-15
- **Probate record**, from **1838 to 1845** – RG 2021-15
- **Widow's pension**, from **1913 to 1937** – RG 2021-15

SCHOOL RECORDS

- **Attendance and scholarship records, District #1, 5, 6, 8 (Sciota Township)**, from **1894 to 1910** and from **1924 to 1962** – RG 97-259
- **District #2 meeting minutes (Sciota Township)**, from **1850 to 1871** – RG 86-124

TAX RECORDS

- **Affidavit of soldiers' and sailors' homestead tax exemption (Owosso)**, from 1920 and from 1934 to 1937 – RG 67-104
- **Assessment roll (Perry Township)**, from 1902 – RG 75-17
- **Assessment roll for paving and sprinkling of streets (Owosso)**, from 1897 to 1899 – RG 67-104
- **Statement of lands returned**, from 1848 to 1858 – RG 60-20
- **Statement of lands sold for unpaid taxes**, from 1843 to 1870 – RG 60-20

VITAL RECORDS

See Guide No. 19: Vital Records

VOTER RECORDS

- **Election Commission files**, from 1894 to 1925 – RG 2021-15
- **Records of party enrollment (Owosso)**, from 1906 to 1912 – RG 67-104
- **Registers of electors (Perry Township)**, from 1892 to 1946 – RG 75-17
- **Voter registrations (Owosso)**, from 1859 to 1930 – RG 67-104

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